

Continuation In Part application would be appropriate since a full disclosure of how the claim limitations are effected would then be defined. *Id.* This rejection caused the Applicant some confusion and upon reading the specification in the file wrapper, it was determined that the Examiner did not receive the amended specification from the International Office. On April 24, 2006 the Applicant amended the International Application. Applicant has attached a copy of that amended specification along with International Report on Patentability. Applicant and the Examiner exchanged messages on this subject but were not able to speak before the deadline to respond. Applicant believes that had the Examiner had access to the correct version of the specification then this rejection would be moot. As such, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the amended specification of April 24, 2006 and overturn the rejection based on 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph.

Claim Rejection 35 USC § 102

The examiner has rejected claims 1-13 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Donaldson (U.S. Pat. No. 5,090,650). *Office Action*, p. 3. The Examiner stated that the prior art discloses applicant's broadly claimed structure as best understood by the Examiner in light of the above rejection that the disclosure is not enabling. Applicant believes that the Donaldson citation is moot in light of the fact that the Examiner did not have access to the correct version of the specification. Applicant further argues that even if this rejection is not moot, the Donaldson citation is radically different from Applicant's invention in that the two are in unrelated fields.

Donaldson discloses a mounting bracket for mounting a component having a subplate, a bracket assembly, subplate attachment means, base structure attachment means, and a single torque plate. Further, there is reference in the disclosure of using a screw driver to release locking screws within the bracket assembly. The Examiner states that the fasteners of the Donaldson citation are adapted to be locked or unlocked upon receipt of a signal, but Applicant sees no reference to this in the disclosure. The Donaldson mounting bracket is purely mechanical in nature and no fasteners signal to each other at any time. Applicant's fasteners are designed to

signal to each other and also are able to release upon receiving a command to do so. Therefore, the Applicant is struggling to understand how the Donaldson citation is relevant to Applicant's invention and respectfully requests that the Examiner either provide more information or remove this citation and rejection.

Authorization

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Reply, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-3791.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Director is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 50-3791.

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